

Please do not let massive corporations control and block content on the internet. Open dialogue and a free exchange of ideas and facts are vital for a healthy democracy. The pay for play plan is a horrible idea and is emblematic of crony capitalism. This would be an utter and massive error. Please adjust your stance on this issue and preserve Net Neutrality.

—Suleman Ilyas, Staten Island, NY

Dear Chairman Wheeler, Please, I beg you, reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers. I use the internet for work, accessing research, and communicating with clients and colleagues. If you don't protect net neutrality, my web traffic will be slowed or stopped because it won't be subsidized by giant corporations. If the greedy Internet Service Providers get their way, companies paying bribes to the ISP's will pass that cost on to every consumer via increased prices. I am offended that Internet Service Providers want to charge me double for service which I'm already paying for. I pay \$75 per month for bare bones access. Why do I have to pay on the delivery end too? As a micro business owner I cannot afford to pay more just so I won't be treated detestably. The 1st amendment right to free speech is only as good as the information distribution channels. The average person's best access to public discourse is the internet. Protect our right to free speech. Protect net neutrality. Do you regard citizens as just part of the unwashed masses, or do you respect us as individuals? Demonstrate that you support an the individual's fair access to and fair participation in public dialog. Demonstrate that you value the exchange of knowledge and ideas more than you value a corporate stranglehold on communications in pursuit of the almighty dollar.

—Janina Konopka, San Leandro, CA

As a young developer I am in a small class people most directly effected by our network and technology policies. In our current post-Snowden world, the international community has a historic lack of confidence in American networks and technology. Selling out our network performance so that a handful of American ISPs can make a quick buck is selling out a generation of developers and products. Is the additional profit of a few companies worth selling our home-field advantage in the digital age? I think not.

—Zac Joyner, Cary, NC

Defending that neutrality is important for defending free comers.

—Molly Bambenek, La Crosse, WI

Protect Real Net Neutrality. FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler is pushing a plan that would allow rampant discrimination online. If approved, these rules would mean the end of Net Neutrality. Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. Protect Real Net Neutrality. Gabriel Lataianu

—Gabriel Lataianu, Hackensack, NJ

internet should be the same for everyone.

—Hans Akrok, alhambra, CA

Dear FCC, We already have rationing based on wealth for so many products and services -- please let the internet be a resource equally accessible (speed-wise) to all of us! Sincerely, Mary Mertz

—Mary Mertz, Salina, KS

Please keep an open and free internet. Large companies and corporations should not have control of content, or be able to dictate speeds and bandwidth allocation.

—Mussarat Ilyas, Staten Island, NY

Please, reclassify ISPs as common carriers. It is unconscionable to make people pay more for faster internet service, or "load up" times for websites. Once again we are creating a system and a society in which money buys rapid access, and the little business person, who may be just a "start up" trying to compete with the Big Boys in the marketplace, is once more hampered with additional---if not impossible to meet---costs just to be able to offer the same internet speeds as their Giant Competitors. How many aspects of our society do we need to make money-oriented before we realize that we have frozen the small businessperson and the lower-rung consumer once again out of the picture? The beauty of the Internet was its neutrality--the fact that it was the same for all. Creating totally artificial "fast lanes" for rich businesses and well-to-do people distorts the now wonderful fairness, openness, and equal accessibility at comparable speeds of our present Internet. Please, please do not turn this system, too, over to the rich and powerful. Can't SOMETHING belong equally to everyone?

—Neale Donald Walsch, Ashland, OR

Dear FCC, I am very concerned about net neutrality, I strongly urge you to throw away your rules, and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. The internet needs to be open and neutral, for everyone!!! This is clearly class discrimination, education and knowledge should be free and open to all in the human family, only then can we all expand and have a better world together. Thank you.

—Tasha Ortloff, Woodstock, NY

The beauty of the Internet is that it's for everyone. Not big conglomerates or mega corporations. EVERYONE. Let's keep it that way. Please support Net-Neutrality.

—Seth Goldstein, Doylestown, PA

Leave our internet alone we pay for it and the big companies want to treat us like second class people, reclassify IPs, as common carriers and stop trying to discriminate against the ones that use the internet.

—Mary Truelove, Martinsville, IN

The internet isn't just a space for commerce and sharing ideas, it's also a space to connect employees and employers. It's used just like a town, the roads of which are maintained by taxes from everyone who lives there. The internet is already maintained by the fees of those wishing to produce content and those wishing to consume content. Further fees are charging twice for the same service. There isn't a market for the internet in the same way there is for shoes or food. I can't choose a different store to buy from if I don't like the prices or quality of the shoes at a store. If I don't like the prices or quality of the internet service provided I have very few to no alternatives depending on the area. This is as close as we can get to a monopoly without actually having one. Regulate the internet providers as a utility; it will insure that reasonable fees are charged without damaging the providers and insuring that the users aren't charged twice for the same content.

—Kathryn Remell, Fayetteville, AR

I want a free and open internet

—Aaron Vrobel, MESA, AZ

No one (or group of people) should have that much control over something so powerful.

—Josh Blanchard, Provo, UT

Net Neutrality is important to me because I don't want the cyberspace to be manipulated by bigger hands.

—Samudi, Ratnapura,

FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Because this is what is right. Do the right thing for once, defend the people not the businesses.

—Danica Premirelli, Galveston, TX

Please leave the internet unrestricted by ISPs. I want full access to all sites on the internet without interference from any ISP. Do not allow ISPs to block or slow down the internet.

—J K, norcross, GA

We cannot continue to hinder progress with capless potential, once the internet is no longer an equal opportunity for all, the opportunities the internet provides ends up on the hands of a few, and ultimately hinder all of our progress

—Masta Izz, Mesquite, TX

The internet is probably the only industry that has developed into a viable and sustainable service that anyone can benefit from while having positive economic impact never imagined at its inception. It has grown with demand and competition encouraging standards to be constantly readjusted as technology allows for continuing improvement in all concerns, direct or collateral, so that stagnation never applies except with the unimaginative. All this and with minimal government regulation and interference and on a global scale no less! So why does the government think that it needs to fix something that is not broke? LEAVE THE INTERNET ALONE!

—Carri Schreiber, MCKINNEY, TX

You need to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Government offices are designed to serve the public, not the corporations.

—Shannon Allen, brooklyn, NY

Our country is defined by our love of freedom. As Europe sinks itself with the "Right to be forgotten" laws, let the US be a shining beacon of openness.. As China sits behind a great firewall. Let us show an example of free flow of information. We have fallen behind in internet speeds to the rest of the developed world. Let us not fall behind in seeing the importance of equality. It's not "just speed." Slow information will be ignored.

—Kalman Gacs, Somerville, MA

Living in Alaska the internet is crucial to staying connected to the outside world. It is a tool needed to compete in the world not a luxury. Please keep the internet the way it is.

—Brad Greenwell, Juneau, AK

Big Corporations and their insane desire for profits are killing this country. Net Neutrality is the only way we can get information from other sources besides the "approved" (read dumbed-down) ones governed and manipulated by the corporations. That said, even though they have bought so many politicians and judges and bureaucrats already, I still have hope that honor and honesty and integrity will make a comeback in this country.

—Sally Webb, Largo, FL

I deployed and fought for this country. I understand what true corruption is, and it pains me to say but I think some of the greatest evils are the cable companies that bribe you guys in the FCC. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Alexander Jackson, Virginia Beach, VA

Please protect net neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers -- which is what they in fact are. Giving control of access to the internet to companies that have an economic incentive to provide faster access to some people and sites over others is a violation of the fundamental principles on which the Internet was founded, the principles that have made the Internet such an effective tool for facilitating commerce, education, entertainment, and free exchange of ideas.

—Dr. Lawrence A. Farwell, Seatte, WA

Because I do NOT want large multinational corporations to have ANY say or power over my media intake options. I want internet equality, not internet discrimination!

—Shelby Miller, Salem, OR

Dear Ms. Clyburn, I am writing to you personally concerning the proposed changes to our open internet laws that protect net neutrality because you have been known to stand up to political pressures and act in the public interest. It gives me some hope that you might act on behalf of the American consumer in this matter and consider carefully the implications of dissolving net neutrality, the one policy that has kept the internet open and free to all users and the one policy that has allowed the internet to grow into a true free market. FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's objectivity is in question because of his long tenure as a lobbyist on behalf of giant telecommunications corporations, the very companies the FCC oversees and the same companies that stand to benefit from the dissolution of net neutrality, seemingly one more example of the insidious D.C. revolving door. In the past these media companies would have been viewed and regulated as utility companies that would place Internet service under stricter "common carrier" rules under Title II of the Communications Act. Consumer advocates say common carrier status is needed to force ISPs to treat all third-party Web services equally, not degrading competing services or speeding up Web services in exchange for payment. ISPs have been manipulating their bandwidth in order to extract fees from websites such as Netflix and YouTube rather than building out the infrastructure that would make bandwidth cheaper or Internet faster, even though these companies have been given monopoly status in exchange for building the infrastructure needed to accommodate high-speed broadband service. Comcast and fellow telecommunications giants argue they should not be responsible for upgrades needed to accommodate the growing demand for streaming and other high usage companies that have grown with the Internet. But there are other options to reduce congestion on the Internet other than dismantling net neutrality policies that protect Internet freedom. Netflix has proposed reducing congestion by working with ISPs through a program it created called Open Connect, which would place Netflix hardware directly in the data centers of big ISPs to ease the load on their networks. Netflix offered to pay the cost of installing and maintaining this hardware, but the big three — Comcast, Verizon, and AT&T — declined to participate, and demanded instead to be paid for the privilege of giving Netflix a new interconnection. Broadband and wireless services have been highly profitable for the US cable and telecom giants. This is evident in the high salaries of the CEOs of these companies, the highest-paid executives in the country. In 2011, Comcast CEO Brian Roberts made \$27 million; Verizon CEO Ivan Seidenberg made \$26 million; and AT&T CEO Randall Stephenson made \$22 million. Seidenberg and Stephenson made about 500 times their employees' average annual salary, while Roberts and Time Warner Cable CEO Glenn Britt made about 1,000 times what their employees earn every year. For most American companies the ratio is about 380 times. Chairman Wheeler's proposal to keep the Internet as an information service would block any new business ventures from growing on the Internet, thereby blocking competition and further concentrating wealth and power in the hands of a few powerful corporations. Concentration of power in our economy that leads to higher prices is illegal based on our existing antitrust laws. When Ronald Reagan came to power in 1981, one of his first acts was to dissolve existing antitrust laws that for generations had successfully ensured that we had healthy competition in our economy. In overturning the antitrust laws, Reagan said, "No longer are we going to seek to have competition for the sake of competition. No longer are we going to seek to distribute power to prevent the concentration of power." The new Reagan regime said, "No, the end is just low prices for consumers and if concentration brings low prices, great, if concentration is going to harm low prices, then we'll intervene and induce competition." Unfortunately, at the same time Reagan also eliminated the collection of data we used to track concentration in the economy making it harder to prove the existence of the problem. What we do know, though, is that the U.S. government practice of allowing a small group of giant companies to dominate the broadband market has resulted in fewer choices for broadband Internet service for Americans and higher prices for service when compared to the rest of the world. The U.S. ranks from 15th to well past 30th when it comes to mobile and broadband access. Americans are paying the most for the least amount of service, according to a 2013 report by the New America Foundation. The best US deal for high-speed broadband internet access is almost three times as expensive (per Mbps) as the average international plan. The best deal for mobile data in the U. S. is about twice as expensive (per GB) as the average international plan. The reason for this, according to experts, is the U.S. policy of allowing a small number of corporate giants to dominate the market, reducing competition and the incentives for these companies to improve service and lower prices. And, according to Ronald Reagan, concentration of power that leads to higher prices for consumers is illegal under his enacted antitrust laws. When cable TV first came onto the scene, the US government gave control of this growing industry over to telecommunications companies. The outcome: cable channels are limited and prices have risen dramatically. It is no wonder the American people are now rejecting cable's poor service and high bills and finding new outlets over the Internet instead. And now these same telecommunications companies are demanding the same control over these newly found options over the Internet, the place where most cable viewers fled to avoid telecom's poor service and high bills. Not surprisingly, polls are showing very high levels of support for net neutrality among the American public: 69% support by the SF Gate poll (May 2014); 73% support, Baltimore Sun (April 2014); 84.7% support, Thundercloud (Feb. 2014); 74% support, Bay News 9 (Jan. 2014); and 81% support, CNET (Jan. 2014). The public wants telecoms like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T to be common carriers that bring us to the Internet without any discrimination. The loss of an open and free internet, which has fueled job creation, new businesses, and startups nationwide, would be a great loss to the American public. As a blogger who writes about environmental and climate issues, I depend on the Internet for research and distribution of this information. I am asking you to act in my best interest, and in the interest of the public at-large, to block this corporate takeover of the internet, place Internet service under stricter "common carrier" rules, and apply real oversight to the broadband industry to ensure that these market behemoths abide by open Internet principles. Sincerely, Nancy Sopher

—Nancy N Sopher, Burke, VA

The internet, as it is, has equalized opportunity for all. Anyone can use this incredible tool to educate themselves, conduct research on candidates or businesses or any other thing that piques their interest. Conducting a job search was once a nightmare but with the net neutral internet searching for a job is much more efficient. Corporations have their hands in my pocket enough! I refuse to allow myself to be held hostage by greedy corporations anymore. The net neutral internet has been very good to all ISP's and, as usual, it is no longer enough. The ISP's must GROW REVENUE because they believe they owe it to their shareholders....what about their customers? What do they owe us? I am pro net neutrality, access to the knowledge of Salomon should be for everybody, not just the elite rich. Make a stand FCC and keep the internet equal for all of us.

—Gary Upchurch, Mesquite, TX

Keeping the internet open and free is incredibly important, and allowing large companies to control bandwidth will create major problems and discrimination of net access. Net neutrality must be preserved for freedom of information to survive online.

—David, Springfield, MO

Im a poor college student. Im already paying premiums for internet, don't cave to the corporations, I have a say too. Please do not restrict the internet.

—Hannah M Thompson, Mesa, AZ

Hi FCC, Please retain net neutrality. The internet, in this day and age, where there is already a huge disparity between the rich and the poor, is the very last bastion of equality. Why would anyone ever want to take that away? The common man does not have true equality in America. Please retain some decency and allow for equality in the virtual realm. I rely on the internet to do research, play games, and talk to my friends and family on the other side of the world. Without net neutrality, my connection would be crippled. There will be no fast lane and then a faster lane. You know that. It will be fast internet for the rich, and slow, very slow for the rest. Also, regulate the internet as Title II. It should be viewed as a common carrier. Thank you for taking the time to read this. I thank you. My children thank you. And so does the cat.

—Tosa Puvapiromquan, Baltimore, MD

The Internet is now as basic of a utility as electricity or water. It is necessary for a decent quality of life by modern American standards—without access, people and organizations face a massive competitive disadvantage. Consequently, I believe ISPs should be monitored, regulated, subsidized, and publicly controlled to the same extent as any other utility company. As citizens, it is our choice how this utility should be used. Luckily, our opinions are voiced every time we navigate to a particular web page or utilize a particular digital service. This choice does not belong in the hands of the ISPs, who will ultimately make decisions that will bolster their own profits regardless of other consequences.

—Skye Isard, Charlestown, MA

I am against the FCC's internet rules proposal for the following reasons: 2-Tier System: I am concerned that ISP's may charge higher rates for full Internet access or act to ensure that their own content arrives seamlessly and smoothly, while that of competitors is delayed or poorer quality or that higher bandwidth applications end up with a higher price-tag. Privacy All data needs to be treated the same. Threats ISPs may have a commercial interest in guiding people away from certain sites – especially when those sites provide services or products for nothing when the ISP or a related company charges for a competing product.

—Greg Laidler, Hiroshima,

A free and open internet is essential. The internet facilitates free speech and fosters the power of public opinion because it is not divided into tiers. It is democratic, and should remain that way.

—Greg Merens, Chesterfield, NH

Net Neutrality serves to protect and represent the people, not the companies it is being threatened by.

—Cade M Bourque, McKinney, TX

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!

—Marcos Adrian Cruz, Hendersonville, TN

Dear FCC, I like using the internet the way it is now. I like that I can decide to learn a language one day, and maybe the next learn how to make dinner for my husband. I am for Net Neutrality, because knowledge and information is something we should be able to share freely. ISPs should be classified as common carriers.

—Kirsten, El Cajon, CA

The flow of information should be equal no matter the source/site

—Joshua Kawachi, salem, OR

To Whom It May Concern at the FCC: If cable companies are allowed to charge content providers for preferential treatment, it will definitively change the nature of the Internet as most of us know it. Those who can't afford the higher prices cable companies will charge for upgraded 'packages' and content providers who can't afford the higher prices cable companies will charge them for allowing users to access their content, won't have the free and equal access to information on the Internet that they currently have. This would be a huge leap backwards for our country, for technology, and quite frankly, for mankind. I urge you not to allow this change. Please don't undo the progress that's been made in the past few decades with regard to access to information with the advent of the Internet. The Internet allows everyone free access to information, not only to those with deep pockets. Knowledge is power, and allowing everyone access to the information available on the Internet will ensure that we all continue to have equal opportunity to gain that knowledge. Once armed with knowledge, we have the ability to protect our freedoms. Too easily those freedoms can be taken away by those who care only for their own interests. This issue is much bigger than whether cable companies should be able to charge higher prices to some content providers. At its core, it's a Constitutional issue. Thank you for considering my comments. Regards, Diane K White

—Diane White, El Cerrito, CA

FCC - The internet cannot be treated like the television stations on a satellite subscription service, for it is used by so many who vitally depend upon both those websites that are visited by millions everyday and those that only generate a few hits. I work for a small nonprofit, and our internet presence would be unknown among a hierarchy of websites that generate hits and money for the internet service provider. That means that our operations would suffer within your proposed internet rules as well as the operations of other local nonprofit organizations that do so much for their communities. Your proposed internet rules will put an end to the amazing things that people use the internet to do when all of its content is accessible to everyone. Abandon the greed and keep the internet as it should be- open and accessible to all.

—Meghan Monson, Austin, TX

I am very upset with the direction the FCC has been taking regarding Net Neutrality. I believe the FCC should reclassify ISPs as common carriers, and not implement a two tiered system based on content provider's ability to pay. The internet is the closest thing to a meritocratic system we've seen in the modern world. Data is transferred without regard to its content, or the identity and economic status of its provider. It has fueled revolutions in commerce, education, and even actual political revolutions. It has allowed me to connect to relatively obscure blogs published by individuals (some of whom have dramatically changed my life for the better) just as easily as the sites of giant corporations. A two tiered system is anti-democratic, anti-competitive, and only benefits the large ISPs, who already possess nearly monopolistic power over broadband access in many geographic regions.

—Matthew Pelc, Los Angeles, CA

I support preserving net neutrality!

—Katie Gruber, Chicago, IL

Dear FCC, Under your own words you proposed something a new so called "new internet" that would affect us the common internet user from searching things in the web, allowing the big companies to tell us what to look and ISPs that would block certain websites because it doesn't fit with them. You are damaging our freedom and we aren't happy with your ideas specially when the chairman was a person who worked for companies like att and comcast or verizon. Stop what you are doing and keep a free internet for everyone

—Edward Richardson, Marietta, GA

As a university professor, I use the internet for teaching and research. Both require an absence of the kind of filtering that corporate control may introduce, and open access information should not be any more difficult or slower to reach on the web than information that a corporation prioritizes for its own for-profit purposes. Moreover, through portals and subscriptions, university libraries provide most of the access to books, journals, and other academically useful materials; every dollar of rising cost (of the sort concentrated industries always bring) will come at the expense of teaching, student discovery, disinterested research of value to the nation and world, and everything else universities and colleges provide, because their budgets are increasingly inadequate as is. Democracy and the nation's economic competitiveness each depend upon the conditions that have made the internet such a fruitful provider of both -- and there is NO EXCUSE for the FCC to undermine either. Absolute Net Neutrality is the only moral choice; anything less breaks the oath to uphold the constitution against ALL enemies (i.e. including corporations) that each FCC member swore. ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers -- there is no other way to protect genuine (rather than fake) Net Neutrality.

—Katherine H. Tachau, Iowa City, IA

The Internet is not just another network. It has given birth to massive change on the planet. It deserves special protection. Whether using common carrier status, or other, the FCC must preserve non-discriminatory access because: - Material areas of the nation effectively have one choice for truly high speed access. Our nation has an obligation to protect citizens from _potential_ bad behavior of monopoly providers, since harm can occur long before the government or the market can react. This very fact is one of the foundations of the birth, and mandate, of the FCC. - As a matter of public policy, our nation values innovators. Discrimination in access speed & throughput will create discrimination among innovations. This is bad public policy.

—James Batson, North Andover, MA

It will disadvantage small businesses and help lock in monopolies.

—Lynn Elliott, New York, NY

How about you LEAVE IT ALONE... Corporations make enough profit and have enough influence.. they dont need anymore

—Gina Caracci, Cocoa, FL

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The role of ISPs should be to provide a link from my home to the internet. They should not be getting involved in whom I communicate with or what I connect with.

—Jason Sisi, North Hollywood, CA

If net neutrality is not protected, my family and I are moving to Canada.

—Joshua Graham, Issaquah, WA

It is a problem when we the people are not protected by the same branches of government (courts) now is only votes for the big business and where do we get justice. When do we get our protection we the people.

—Ms. P, unknown, FL

I am a nineteen year old girl with a wealth of information about nutrition. By the age of 17, I had lost 65 pounds and wanted to share my newfound love for health with the world. By eighteen and a half, I relapsed with binge eating disorder and sank into a severe depression while gaining weight. I am a funny, relatable voice on the internet that shows first hand how difficult mental disorders can be while demonstrating the importance of self awareness and making nutritional information interesting and accessible to EVERYONE. My readership may not be huge, but I help people get better and my information deserves the same chances as anyone else's.

—Dana Balkin, Mishawaka, IN

The Internet is a source of open and equal information and MUST remain as such. Please discard your proposed rules and regulations and reclassify ISPs as COMMON CARRIERS. This is the ONLY way to protect true Net Neutrality.

—Carole A. Flot, East Elmhurst, NY

Dear FCC, you suck. You are responsible for Violence being okay, but nudity/sexuality is wrong. I genuinely believe that you are outdated and should be shut down. I'd rather a free internet and cable, uncensored entirely and full of shit, yet have some gold in there, than have your shit. Fuck yourself.

—Maximilian T Dillon, Rocklin, CA

Net neutrality needs to be preserved as a basic right in the twenty-first century.

—Michael, Vancouver, WA

The Internet was created as an information superhighway. Where everyone could find information on anything. Defend Net Neutrality!

—Libni Garcia, San Bernardino, CA

The internet is one of the most impactful forces on planet. It allows voices to be heard and little meaningless conversations to take place. It also allows "big important things" like business meetings and video chatting between long distance couples to occur easily. As a graduate student I use the internet to download articles, further my research knowledge and to blow off steam and relax. No company should be able to control my internet use.

—Sarah Ingebrand, Tempe, AZ

The internet was created as a network in which ideas and goals could be shared quickly to anyone. The idea to restrict some of those ideas, while providing better service, whether by providing better access to "higher paying" sites or by slowing speeds to other sides, is fundamentally against what the internet was created for. As a young adult, 26, my future needs the free exchange of ideas in order to thrive. Please don't mortgage my future to fund your retirement. Thank you.

—Ben Bloomer, hamilton, OH

FCC- Please reject docket 14-28 on the Open Internet. As an American, I find the idea of restricting information flow offensive, and against the ideals of our nation. As a taxpayer, my request is that you reclassify ISP's as common carriers. I do not agree with your proposed rules, and truly believe they will negatively affect our country, and specifically opportunities and information for my family.

—Sara Friedhoff, overland, MO

I pay my ISP for access to any site at a set data transfer rate (that the ISP provides for the price I pay) not to dictate what site I can visit faster over others. "The Open Internet also makes it possible for anyone, anywhere to easily launch innovative applications and services, revolutionizing the way people communicate, participate, create, and do business—think of email, blogs, voice and video conferencing, streaming video, and online shopping. Once you're online, you don't have to ask permission or pay tolls to broadband providers to reach others on the network. If you develop an innovative new website, you don't have to get permission to share it with the world." FCC's own words from <http://www.fcc.gov/openinternet>. Please fight for them.

—Chris Johnson, fayetteville, NC

Abolishing net neutrality is the worst idea ever. Who benefits? People who have been paid three times to address the situation regarding bandwidth. They have built no infrastructure. And now they want more money. I don't buy it. For once. Please. Do something good for the people. You can reclassify it. Regulate for the good and prosperity of our nation. For beneficence. Because you don't want to miss out on the greatest thing ever.

—Dave, New Orleans, LA

The internet is not about how much money a corporation can make by charging you to visit certain websites or even denying you to see websites. It is about a sharing of communication across the whole globe to gather us all together in one community of experiences. Let that sharing be in equality.

—Nancy Brown, Greenwich, NY

we cant keep allowing big money companies to dictate our actions online, The internet and should always remain an open resource to any and everyone

—Dartainian Grandpre, baltimore, MD

One thing that lasts longer than money and power will always be legacy. What will yours be? When you're sitting there in your last days looking into your grandkids' eyes, will you say "I helped to save the internet" or "I helped to destroy the internet". The choice is yours. What will your legacy be?

—Nicholas Andre' Monteleone, Lafayette, LA

This proposed change to so called 'Net Neutrality' is a blatant cash grab at the expense of this nation's citizens. In order to stay competitive and innovative in today's global economy, our citizens need unfettered access to the internet. Our country's industrial history has been sold off to other nations, which I understand is an evolution, however this proposed change will stifle our creativity and innovation and set us further back against the rest of the world. I WANT to love this country, but my government makes it harder and harder.

—Mike Weivoda, Minneapolis, MN

I want free internet at the same speed for everyone.

—Cheryl Kozanitas, san mateo, CA

I believe that allowing "fast lanes" for designated Internet traffic would cripple freedom of speech and consumer rights on the internet, and would turn the internet into a tool for discrimination and inequality. I am asking the FCC to take a stand for Net Neutrality by classifying internet service as a Title II common carrier.

—Oren Shoham, Brooklyn, NY

It allows for an even playing field where everybody has equal access to information and to disperse information.

—Mohammad Tariq, Riverdale, GA

Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers!

—Anita, Toronto, NY

Because the internet is open and one government cannot control it.

—Jeremiah May, Terrace Park, OH

The internet is a utility, just like gas and electric. The internet is necessary to education, jobs and even medical care in today's world. Children as young as 8 receive homework that must be completed online, job seekers search for jobs and apply for them online, and medical providers are posting test results and other medical records online for their patients to access. In today's world, the internet is a necessity. Net Neutrality is incredibly important, please reclassify ISP's as common carriers.

—Peggy Thompson, Lakewood, OH

Net neutrality is key to free speech in the modern era. Telecom and cable companies operate monopolies in many areas, even urban ones. They have no incentive to compete and even less to protect speech.

—Joseph Garvin, Chicago, IL

Because you have no right to take away our free creative world. We will find a way to create a new one. It's our right!

—Beatriz Cruz, San Antonio, TX

Because destroying the internet is the worst possible idea for what to do with it.

—Collin Malone, Dallas, TX

Please don't allow corporate take over of the internet. In a world where freedom is becoming scarce, this is a last vestige that man had some sense and sanity. Like air, the air waves, shouldn't be controlled. Our freedom is at stake and these rich companies have more than enough money. Why give them more power and more money. We are the people and we deserve NET NEUTRALITY!!!

—Angelique Bianca, LA, CA

I'm a filmmaker that depends on neutrality of the internet to reach my audience. This would be devastating to my work.

—Brian Gates, Highlands ranch, CO

Chairman Wheeler, It is essential that the internet is not controlled by large companies like comcast, verizon, and other ISPs. Your new rules do not ensure the openness of the internet, and are unacceptable. The courts have made clear that the only way to keep the internet open is to reclassify broadband internet as a title ii telecommunications service. Yes, large companies would not like this move, but it is your job to protect the interests of consumers, not those of large companies. If your rules are adopted, they will always be remembered as the beginning of the end of the open internet, do not make that your legacy. Act in the public interest and reclassify broadband internet. Sincerely, Myles Ambrose

—Myles Ambrose, Washington Grove, MD

This is ridiculous. Everyone has a right to internet, equal and fair. This is America, right? This could just be the first of many steps, right after losing the rights to our female reproductive organs, that could lead to losing our other undeniable rights.

—Paige, Essex, VT

Net neutrality is important to everyone to keep the internet a level playing field and to have news and information be public and accessible without fear of ISPs tampering with what we hear.

—Jonah Heller, Oakland, CA

Project net neutrality.

—Ronald Shirtliff, Toronto,

Protect Net Neutrality! These purposed plans are in the interest your pockets, not the American people.

—Jen Sass, st paul, MN

Title 2 Common Carrier please

—JL L. Good, Topeka, KS

I'm commenting to urge Chairman Wheeler to scrap the FCC's plan to allow Internet service providers to charge for preferential treatment. These rules would destroy Net Neutrality. I urge the chairman to throw them out and instead reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service. This is the only way to restore real Net Neutrality. Furthermore, this is truly a final-frontier in terms of global communication and our ability to grow and expand as a species. The internet offers untapped potential for the sharing of ideas, current events, and powerfully unique yet universally shared moments during our individual journeys through life; it offers us a human connection never-before conceived of by previous races. I suspect many lightly veiled attempts to overpower and ultimately control the internet will continue to arise. But I, and millions - some day soon, billions - of others will continue to shout into the digital abyss our refusal to meekly accept dominance over our domain.

—Jordan Presley, Valley Village, CA

Free speech should not be regulated by how much you can afford to pay.

—Philip Posehn, Woodland, CA

Preserve Net Neutrality in order to stimulate technological progress.

—Eric Peters, Minneapolis, MN

The free flow of information has become a staple in today's society. To now limit that flow in a pay to play atmosphere is probably the worst decision anyone can make. Granted, it's all about the money. Everything is about money. I wonder if the advertisers have considered the effect that this would have on their business. People who pay extra, chances are, are not going to be as interested in the ads. Those who don't pay extra will not be visiting the sites that they otherwise would, and so, miss the advertising. This has the potential to back fire in ways that may not have been considered. Which, on further consideration, may not be a bad thing, especially if people are pushed to set up other forms of communication. Please reconsider this proposal, throw out the rules, reclassify ISPs as common carriers, and keep the internet as an equal resource for all who connect.

—James Roe, Wheeling, IL

If this is put in place, this will further the divide between the haves and have-nots. The working class are becoming increasingly frustrated by the day with laws and rulings being put in place that empowers the rich and frankly dehumanizes everyone else. An attempt to disrupt access to information will only further galvanize people against our current government. The people are getting tired of feeling like their voice doesn't matter.

—Alfre Wells, Temple, TX

Please reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers, and preserve Net Neutrality. Thank you

—Jordan Rothstein, Berkeley, CA

I have grown up to watch the internet expand rapidly because of its diverse content. The internet allows for the little person's voice to be equally heard and has impacted economic growth. The internet with net neutrality allows for our basic right of freedom of equal access to information. Net neutrality is the reason why we have evolved from tv to Internet. Changing it would cause us to limit our progress as a people. Without Net neutrality gatekeepers would be able to filter content and would ultimately cause corruption. Without the foundation of the internet (Net neutrality), this bill would cause the DEATH of the internet.

—Janella Smart, Southfield, MI

I vote net neutrality stays. I want nothing to do with any sort of tiered internet.

—Branden Schombert, Kansas City, MO

I am for Net Neutrality. FCC, throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Jason Coning, Sevierville, TN

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—Mr. Steve E. Smecler, Sevierville, TN

To those who oppose net neutrality on the grounds that it limits progress, one merely has to look at Google Fiber. While still in its infancy, it is a far superior service and is backed by a company that WANTS net neutrality. The simple fact of the matter is that the internet's prominence in modern communication not only makes consistent service an individual's right but also an economic pillar off of which business, large or small, leans upon.

—Brian Min, La Canada, CA

Big corporations don't exactly have a reputation for acting in the public interest. Why would the FCC trust them for managing internet access? Please preserve net neutrality!

—Martin Alexander, Santa Rosa, CA

Charter here in the Carolina's , Sherrills Ford area and surrounding areas, has raised rates on my 86 year old Marine Father! Almost two hundred dollars to bundle which he has had for a decade. They advertize 29 dollars each for phone , internet & cable. Yet they are raising his cost at an alarming rate & the phone & internet go off at least three times day and night. Pixles on cable go crazy & shows are stalled...this has been happening since they went all digital. We have zero options to pick another provider here, and they are not fixing our problems. This monopoly over us is holding him hostage to his ISP...this needs to change! I am his care provider & work on line, contact the VA on line & his banking on line! We need the phone "IN SERVICE", this is a mess! We have zero protection. This must change!!!!

—Cynthia Gilardi, Sherrills Ford, NC

You'll kill the internet and do you know who loves the internet? Serial Killers, and they know where you live -sincerely Dexter Morgan

—Dexter Morgan, Orange, CA

This is a despicable act. I do not support this in any way. I can't believe I even have to say this.

—Scott Shepherd, Des Moines, IA

The internet is the only remaining source of uncensored information available to the public. The TV, entertainment, and news industries have all fallen prey to the wealthy few who now control everything we see and hear. Do not allow these same tyrants to take control of the internet and decide for us what we will see and how our access to it will be restricted. Keep the internet open, neutral, and out of corporate control.

—ben Mattio, Arcata, CA

The mass medias lie to us by omitting important truths. If you want to know the true state of the world, you must go to the internet.

—John Scales Avery, Albertslund, VA

Do no create fast lanes on the internet, These fast lanes will destroy net neutrality and would allow discrimination online. These new rules will also affect free speech. Also reclassify ISPs as Title 2 Common Carriers.

—Ivan Nalavany, Hanover, PA

please don't ruin the internet, its a really nice the way it is. it is pretty clear that the people don't want it. Our internet is slow compared to other countries already this will just make it worse.

—Vincent Rocco Misuraca, Pennington, NJ

The freedom of speech is fundamental. Allowing some to have more vocal voices than others based on money alone destroys the best thing to ever happen in human history: human beings understanding other human beings across all borders. To destroy net neutrality is to rule that all voices besides those centered by corporations is unworthy of existence. To destroy net neutrality to discrimination and prosecute minorities of all sorts, be they religious in nature or secular. Destroying net neutrality is morally wrong, and you should be ashamed of any participation in the hindering of the evolution of humankind. I hope you come to your senses and make your fellow citizens proud.

—Jacob Galea, Center Harbor, NH

dear fcc: thank you for your attention to this important matter. i am sure i don't need to tell you the vital, public service that the internet provides in this country. nor do i need to remind you of the millions of public dollars in research and development that went into creating the public's world wide web. nor do i need to remind you that our current system provides slower, more expensive access compared to many industrialized democracies. or the frightening manner in which access is increasingly consolidated under fewer and fewer corporate behemoths. i am sure you know all this. given that the public has unleashed a vocal torrent of objection to any attempts to bifurcate the internet into lanes of varying expediency using so-called commercially viable distinctions, or any other word machination you wish to use, i am certain that you will do what is clearly right for our country and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. the internet helped launch the united states into the 21st century. don't cripple us. reclassify ISPs as common carriers. unleash american know-how so that we may continue to lead the world in innovation. we thank you in advance.

—David Sherman, denver, CO

This would be a crippling blow to free speech and press. Please don't allow it!

—Ashley, Maywood, IL

Dear Tom Wheeler, You are going to stop this oblivious heinous proposal. We are not your "cash cows" to reap and sow at your leisure. It feels as if we are being sold to corporations instead of being held in the highest regards by our employees. You Mr. Wheeler are employed by us. With that being said do the correct thing and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Short is sweet baby.

—Carlos Monterosa, Los Angeles, CA

Net Neutrality grants equal access to all users. There is no need to stratify the online community. That which is accessible to one is accessible to all. Perhaps the notion of equality is difficult for the FCC to understand, but it is important among Americans and, more broadly, world citizens.

—Patrick, Essex Junction, VT

Net neutrality has fueled innovation and helped the internet economy grow. Instituting "pay to play" or making some internet sites more equal than others based on what they can pay will obviously diminish the opportunity for small and medium sized players to compete. Big is not necessarily better, but big may be all we get if we lose internet neutrality and the little guys are shut out.

—Beki Halpin, Austin, TX

The internet represents an epochal moment in the history of democracy and free speech. Don't destroy it before it's hardly begun.

—Nathan Birnbaum, Culver City, CA

FREEDOM TO FAIR AND EQUAL ONLINE ACCESS FOR ALL PEOPLE

—Kyle Cannon, Harlingen, TX

I support Net Neutrality and am greatly concerned about the current efforts to end it.

—Cedric Hohnstadt, Bloomington, MN

Net neutrality is crucial to the entrepreneurial ecosystem in the US.

—Jonathan Dick, San Francisco, CA

A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. Cellular, cable, or phone internet connection should treat all websites and services the same. A free and open internet stimulates ISP competition, helps prevent unfair pricing practices, promotes innovation, promotes the spread of ideas, drives entrepreneurship. Most importantly, a free and open internet protects freedom of speech.

—Samantha Pittman, Vernon,

Our future generations need a net neutral internet.

—Matt Dalton, Southlake, TX

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. We do not want or need discrimination online.

—Ann King, Busby, MT

This amount of power should not be bestowed upon corporations. It is discrimination. It is less freedom. It's embarrassing that this up for discussion in the first place. If this heinous idea is implemented, I can only hope to see a decent company, perhaps with a soul, if possible, go against it. Concepts like this influence my desire to leave this country.

—Helion Cruz, Chattanooga, TN

The internet is a place for true equality; a place where no one is more than a user name or an IP address. Taking away net neutrality would allow for major corporations to decide who is more important to them. Why feed corporate greed? We already pay our ISPs for Internet speeds and extra services. Allowing them to further charge for services we already have for free is, in my opinion, completely unfair and another way for these already wealthy companies to further extort money from families. In most cases, these services are already severely lackluster and hardly worth what we already pay. Living on a fixed income and in a totally monopolized community, I have no choice in which ISP I use. Allowing this will further increase the ways in which I am extorted. The bottom line is that this is an incredibly cheap, underhanded, and extremely unfair way to screw over those who aren't in the social groups of, say, Bill Gates or Donald Trump. Don't take away our ability to remain on equal ground with every other human in the world who has access to this wonderful invention; you will only discourage the idea that America is the land of the fair and free, and instead further instill the idea that it is becoming the land of corporate greed and villainy.

—Eugene, Richland, MO

FCC, it is simple. Giant corporations controlling how we access the internet is simply ridiculous. Who are they to say how many gigs of data we're able to use and what we can or can not view? Obviously we are no better than China.

—David Daniel, Greensburg, PA

Cable companies MUST be defined as utilities. It would be messed up not to. I support new business that is more efficient and productive. Not allowing bloated monopolies to rein supreme.

—Evan Carruthers, Delta,

The current plan the FCC has will allow companies to control what content folks can see on the internet, and make it harder for folks to see content internet services don't profit or agree with. As an artist the internet is an important element to making a living and having an ISP deciding what people can see and do will hurt everyone. Please reconsider your plans.

—Brian Kolm, Castro Valley, CA

You are probably reading this right now, sifting through comments, and sorting out the BS. I'm here to tell you, as a educated network engineer with years of experience, that the idea of "fast lanes" and ISP oligopoly has to stop. Peering laws need to be set to be fair to the content provider, and not allow ISPs to limit speed/connections to content. Classify broadband internet as a Tier-II service and promote healthy competition. Support business and startups by making the internet fast, affordable, and equal as a right for all. This will promote knowledge and communication, and we as a nation are failing at delivering a service compared to our allies. Europeans have progressive internet reform, and are setting the example that the rest of the world needs to observe and apply. The bottom line for all of this: Clean up the new FCC rulings to actually promote growth instead of being a detriment to the nation. After, defend the rules. Don't let the ISPs loophole their way back to an oligopoly, classify broadband as a Tier-II service.

—Keith Adler, Dallas, TX

Dear FCC, I disapprove of your current proposed internet rules. Tom Wheeler's plan is disastrous for any new enterprise attempting to use the internet. A two tiered system would allow ISPs to extort online content. There is not reassurance or reason to trust that the lower tier would be anything other than unusably slow. This allows wealthy corporate interest to dominate the internet and forces smaller enterprises off. I am a young developing artist and I host my portfolio online. I can barely afford the materials of my craft and studio space. My website allows me to show my work to potential employers and patrons. The proposed rules would require me to pick up the tab for fast lane access. The Wheeler's plan will kill net neutrality and must be abandoned. Like many other people I would like ISPs to be reclassified as common carriers.

—Emerson Gates, New York, NY

If net neutrality becomes effective, then you guys would lose so much money that it's not even funny.

—Andy Kang, Cupertino, CA

You have a chance to allow for the democracy of the internet or to turn it into something as screwed up as our electoral systems. Save Net Neutrality, please.

—Peter Shulman, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is crucial to a functioning democracy. We like to tell the rest of the world that we are the model for democracy, for freedom, and for doing things the right way. we can't claim such if we continue to create second and third class citizens through our policies. This two tiered internet would clearly be doing that, privileging those with money over those without. When other countries do that we are quick to name them as unjust, as "banana republics," and the like.... we are rapidly becoming one of them through policies such as this. Short term greed undermines the well being of our entire country. Act for net neutrality. Vote for net neutrality.

—Doug Selwyn, Plattsburgh, NY

Net neutrality is the backbone for democracy and free speech. Please protect it from service providers and not letting them discriminate content creators.

—Srinivas Akula, Bellevue, WA

Removing net neutrality would destroy independent artists. This would hand the Internet to those who can afford it and throw it into the same polarized ruin as television/cable news media. This would prove again that large corporations control the government because they have enough money to buy legislation.

—Mark dufresne, long beach, CA

The Internet is a commodity, it should be left the way it is. All content giants like FB and Netflix know you're wrong. Please don't end neutrality. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Terence O'Kane, Oswego, NY

As it stands now, Internet service providers are free to block or degrade service to any website or application they want. The FCC needs to reclassify broadband Internet access (under Title II of the Communications Act) as a telecommunications service, which would pave the way to long-lasting Net Neutrality rules and prevent discrimination online.

—Anette Stauske, Davidsonville, MD

Without Net Neutrality, ISPs will be able to devise new schemes to charge users more for access and services, making it harder for us to communicate online — and easier for companies to censor our speech. The Internet could come to resemble cable TV, where gatekeepers exert control over where you go and what you see. Without Net Neutrality, ISPs like AT&T, Comcast, Time Warner Cable and Verizon will be able to block content and speech they don't like, reject apps that compete with their own offerings, and prioritize Web traffic (reserving the fastest loading speeds for the highest bidders and sticking everyone else with the slowest). The tools ISPs use to block and control our communications aren't different from the ones the NSA uses to watch us. Whether it's a government or a corporation wielding these tools or the two working together, this behavior breaks the Internet as we know it and makes it less open and secure. We must fight to ensure that the Internet we love won't simply become a platform for corporate speech or another tool for government spying. We must protect the Internet that lets us connect and create, that rejects censorship and values our right to privacy. The Internet shouldn't be a walled garden. It should remain a forum for innovation and free expression. As so many startups and political activists know, open, affordable, fast and universal communications networks are essential to our individual, economic and political futures.

—Diego Baz, San Gabriel, CA

As a proud citizen of the USA, I value my freedom!

—George, AMERICA, OR

Dear FCC, The internet is and should remain a free and open source of communication and information. That it isn't already protected as a common carrier is an oversight - that it'll be open to strangulation and discrimination under the new proposed ruling is an absolute travesty. As a young person, I feel that there's a fundamental disconnect between our elected lawmakers and the maturing youth demographic. Perhaps the last generation of representatives haven't realized this yet, but the internet has become a massive platform for both the creation and dissemination of culture in our modern age. It's become a platform for oppressed voices, as in the nations of the Arab Spring; it's become an engine for change, and a thread of communication that links us to loved ones in far corners of the world; and it has become a purveyor of DEMOCRATIZED information, which drives progress and innovation through open access and free expression. And yet the proposed new rules will seek to strangle this democratic landscape... For what? For the sake of Comcast's quarterly earnings. Brilliant. If net neutrality is not protected, the internet will be taxed, strangled, and gutted; the FCC will be remembered as a corrupt, ineffectual body that bent over to serve and service corporate profits over the public good; and FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler will have cemented his legacy as the dingo that ate the proverbial baby. As a concerned youth, I ask that you please help restore some of the faith that we've lost in your last generation of policy makers. Please prove to us that you are more than a bunch of ineffectual lame ducks in some lobbyist's pockets. Please do the right thing, and fight to protect net neutrality.

—Alan Bao, Brampton,

he internet is a critical lifeline. President Obama promised to protect net neutrality. It is time to keep that promise. Classify the IP's as common carriers.

—Chuck Utzman, mill valley, CA

The openness of the internet is what has propelled us forward in recent years. Don't make it like cable- that system is antiquated and undesired.

—Jonathan Marchan, Seattle, WA

Net neutrality is of the utmost importance and should be protected by our government.

—Erin Currie, San Francisco, WA

"FCC must throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality."

—Cynthia, Mesa, AZ

Internet neutrality is vital to preserving the inalienable rights that's our country was founded upon.

—Rebecca Marchan, Seattle, WA

FCC complicity in colluding with special interests to eradicate net neutrality is a direct affront to our nation's people's first amendment rights. One could argue the FCC's actions and inactions are treasonous.

—Bronson Koterwas, Bozeman, MT

Please protect our future as independent creators. Right now is the most important time in human history. We are moving forward in such amazing and beautiful ways. Let's continue to do so, freely and open.

—Dan Tes, Irvine, CA

Dear FCC, Net Neutrality is important to me.

—Stuart R. Thomas, Tucson, AZ

i want the same for all

—Jim, las vegas, NV

This is crazy ridiculous! I need Net Neutrality! Stop Tom Wheeler and his crazy idea!

—Seb Jarakian, san francisco, CA

Dear FCC, net neutrality is important to me because the internet is the last free thing in society today that people can actually use to make a difference. It gives people who normally wouldn't have a voice, well, a voice. In a world where most of our opinions don't really matter, the internet is the one place where they actually can. And this is also a place where people who grew up in not so great situations can actually find ways to make their lives and their families lives better. As someone who grew up in neighborhoods that weren't really the greatest, I feel it would be devastating to take away net neutrality because the internet may be a little kids way to make it out of a place where the environment basically sets him up for failure.

—Marikys Shields, Memphis, TN

The internet has become a central, essential tool of democratic societies - including our own. Do not allow it to become just another tool of corporate profits at the expense of the greater good.

—Michael Marchman, Chesterfield, MO

Please for the love of god do the right thing here. The internet is perhaps the most important thing that has happened in human history...especially as we go forward. It has the potential to connect every human being on the planet, and we need to hold it sacred. These networks aren't just tubes to sell products, they're the neurons of a new era in human history. Please, please keep the internet neutral, it's so important. We're counting on you, and trusting you!

—Andrew Tunks, Glendale, CA

Im poor we need net neutrality

—Bruce berends, Topeka, KS

FCC throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Keep the Internet open and free it's our democratic right as citizens of a republic.

—Ed Munoz, HB, CA

Without state warranted Net Neutrality, we the people, will be at the behest of Multi-billion dollar Multinational companies in how and what will be available through our various internet connections. This is would be only the beginning to a new way of life in which something so important is controlled by so few people, and this is wrong. It would be akin to rolling black outs of the the Enron Fiasco a decade ago. The internet needs to be regulated like a public utility because that is what it is. I bet you know this as well, but you probably have the hand out from these "information companies" swaying your decision. I as a citizen of this great nation don't want the gilded age of the 20's to come back, so FCC Grow some balls and do the right thing. That is keep them accountable and keep the ISP's from sticking us in a state sanctioned electronic cage and slow lane.

—Andrew, Huntsville, AL

The Supreme Court declared money is speech, and for good reason. The politicians and their appointees only hear when they are paid to listen. So it follows the FCC finds it logical that everyone should have to pay to be heard, and those who can pay more will be heard more while those who cannot pay will not be heard any time soon, if at all. Sounds good to the ultra rich, so I assume the FCC will have no problem ending Net Neutrality. After all, there are fat paychecks for those who sell out. Never mind the sounds of Democracy dying and the gates of freedom slamming on all but the ultra rich. Just do what you're told, go home and get drunk to forget what you've done, and die in arrogant obliviousness. Oh, but there's still a chance to think of someone other than yourself. You can do it. Yes, you can. And have the chance to look your grandchildren in the eye on your deathbed and say as my grandmother said, "Do the right thing because it's the right thing to do!" Net Neutrality is The Right Thing To Do. It's up to YOU. We're praying. My wife, daughter, parents, brother, sister in law, nephews, cousins, and neighbors. We're all praying to help you be strong enough to walk away from the payoff. Sure, your family may not get rich or even have a better life than they already have from your selling out. May the strength to love and care for others more than oneself be with you. For the rest of your days and the days of all your descendants, may you all proudly say "I saved Net Neutrality/My Husband saved Net Neutrality/ My Father saved Net Neutrality/ My Grandfather saved Net Neutrality. Thank you for saving Net Neutrality.

—Frank McClain, Larkspur, CA

As Susan Crawford wrote with respect to the internet in "Captive Audience," "...and now America has the worst of both worlds: no competition and no regulation." The upcoming merger between Comcast and Time Warner (which should not be allowed) will virtually eliminate competition in the realm of cable internet providers, which is currently the only real option for Americans who want the highest quality broadband access. This situation is a recipe for gouging consumers, killing incentive for innovation and improvement, and betraying the free and open internet that has been so successful to date. It is so successful, in fact, that it has become like water and electricity--a basic necessity for the common good. Comcast/Time Warner, Verizon, and AT&T MUST NOT be allowed to decide the fate of this common good. They will decide on the basis of their need for corporate profits, and not on the basis of the common good. Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is the key to protecting this common good and ensuring that there remains public input via the government into its continued development and reasonable availability to all. The internet is NOT a luxury service to be made available only to affluent consumers who are lucky enough to live in a geographically blessed area where real high-speed access is even available. The big telecommunications companies want to turn it into just that. Again, this is a recipe for the loss of the internet as we know it and the relegation of America to a back seat as further technological innovation and uses of the internet unfold.

—Thomas Blackburn, Kailua Kona, HI

RECLASSIFY THE INTERNET AS A PUBLIC UTILITY. THE AMERICAN PUBLIC IS AGAINST THESE COMMUNICATION MONOPOLIES CONTROLLING THE INTERNET FOR THEIR MALICIOUS GAIN. NOBODY, NOBODY ELSE GAINS FROM THIS. TO SIGN AGAINST NET NEUTRALITY IS TO SIGN AGAINST THE FUTURE OF THIS COUNTRY.

—Anthony R, Langhorne, PA

The Internet should remain an Open Internet with equal access for all and no discrimination. Only in this way can the full potential of the Internet be realized.

—Sharon Wardle, Manchester,

Don't take the internet privilege away from the less fortunate people like myself just to benefit the corporations and the wealthy! This is abhorrent and reprehensible! Shame on you for proposing this tyrannical discriminatory legislation! It is not a democracy to punish the lower income and perpetuate more inequality.

—Tony Billard, Glendale, AZ

Please don't push through your rules. It is a move that will promote inequality in the internet where many have found solace for equality. It will be detrimental to the future and growth of the internet so please reclassify ISPs as common carriers instead or leave the internet the way it is. Thank you.

—Tri, Quezon City,

why is important? well simply check on google what people think about it

—Manuel Benecchi, Roccabianca,

I urge you to reclassify ISP's as common carriers.

—David Monasevitch, Lihue, HI

Our children deserve equal freedom to speak and be heard. Net neutrality will stifle free speech.

—Emma Stratton, Newquay,

Freedom to learn is paramount. Net neutrality provides access to an entire world of information in an unbiased and affordable way. Affordability for the lowest wage earners provides access to learn more than what they will on the streets. If tax dollars paid for the infrastructure, then it is taxpayers and their families who should have access. If corporations pay the same tax rate as citizens and non-corporate businesses when the infrastructure is built and paid for, then and only then shall they have the right to allocate a portion of the data carrying capacity of said infrastructure equal to the ratio of said corporation being one, to the total sum of tax paying individuals whose taxes paid for said infrastructure. It will not be the choice of any government or government official to allow the reassignment or reallocation of any infrastructure built using tax dollars. All infrastructure that is built with and maintained with tax monies shall require at cost and open access to taxpayers and their families within the infrastructure zone.

—Joseph Ash, Lakewood, CA

I will be a senior in high school this competing fall and I require the net neutrality to help me with my studies through the next school year and in the following college years to come.

—Ant, Castro Valley, CA

Dear FCC, I would really hope you reconsider what you're about to do. As this may become a far worse catastrophe, that may lead to a really bad future, as there would be a whole lot of restrictions that may ruin the whole "open internet" idea. So I hope you would seriously just leave the open internet as it is. Thank you.

—Kenneth, Singapore,

American society is rapidly fissioning into greater inequality between classes. Historically this process ends badly for the ruling class. Killing net neutrality is another step down an increasingly slippery slope. If I belonged to the ruling class I would think it unwise to antagonize the people with such a blatant example of giving control of the most important communication channel to the corporations. Just saying. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Mark Willman, Kula, HI

I live in Europe and my country, the Netherlands, was one of the first countries to protect Net Neutrality. Lately, also the EU has decided to stand up for citizens and small companies that would suffer from discrimination of the internet in case money would become a factor for serving your content to the customer. They did this by agreeing on laws that protect Net Neutrality. To my shock I heard from several resources that several parties in the US tend to want to do the exact opposite. The companies with the big money would once again decide what media we consume and instead of an open web we will have web discrimination. The beauty of the internet is that everyone can have a voice, everyone can reach the people they want to reach. Net Neutrality is a great thing, please, don't let it be taken away. Sincerely, Henrike Dijkstra

—Henrike, Utrecht,

A true democracy will honor net neutrality and provide the space and time for vigorous public debate. But this is not what we, the public, see as happening today. Democracy is not only for the corporate interests that have the money to lobby their agenda, it is equally for all of us, or it is no democracy at all. It is time to demonstrate that democracy does still apply in these United States by maintaining net neutrality.

—Tash Anestos, Meridian, ID

Philosophy often says that everything is neither good or bad, it just depends of what kind of use it is going to have. Internet is one of those things, and by making it not neutral we're risking the freedom of the users and allow certain powers to manipulate the contents.

—Adriana Puerta, Cartagena,

Net Neutrality is important to me and every citizen of the United States. I consider it wrong and immoral to allow large companies to lobby you and our legislators to push their desire to mold the Internet to their advantage. Is it not wrong for our federal government to favor large business over 330,000,000 citizens? The FCC was established to protect the interest of all citizens. To do otherwise is simply wrong. Please do the right thing.

—Robert Nesbitt, Los Angeles, CA

The audience should be the arbiter of content, not those with a vested interest in the most generic denominator.

—Mahala Urrea, Union City, NJ

I shouldn't have to write a short novel to gain your understanding or appeal to your conscience... Bottom line, the internet is for the people and you have no right to threaten this! So I ask you politely to "BACK OFF"

—Damon Drion, Chester Le Street,

Dear FCC, I am a freelancing illustrator - business is tough enough to find as it is now, this new system would essentially put me out of a job and make the dreams and goals I've had since I was a kid very difficult to reach, if not render them impossible. This is true for many more artist, freelancers, and independent creators in general - in your pursuit for helping giant companies make profit, you would be killing off a huge amount of smaller individuals, many of whom (like myself) are currently forced to use the Internet as their main platform for finding work. The model you are planning to put to is more than familiar to us - it's already in use in many areas of life. We just ask you as a collective to keep it away from the Internet, and let it remain truly neutral, as it should be. Best regards.

—Anna, Tallinn,

Large cable companies that continue to grow larger, managing all communications--tv, phone, wireless, and internet--should not also be given authority by the a government agency to control how information is delivered on the Internet. This monopoly has to stop.

—Andrea Meyers, Aldie, VA

I am a small business owner and depend on the Internet for my gallery. It would be very detrimental if I were not able to help my customers because of slow Internet service. With the many costs of running a small business, I can't see how I could compete with the mega companies in being able to afford an elite and costly fast lane Internet service. Thank you for listening.

—Jodie Apeseche, Natick, MA

"Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it" (FreePress) By proceeding with this plan you are breaking the fundamental principles of what makes the internet great, it will limit creativity and free expression/speech. which will limit economic growth on a large scale as it becomes harder and harder for small businesses and start ups to get up and running because of crippling costs and limited online audience it also continues an elitist path the world is taking on all fronts were the weak and poor get shit on and the rich get richer and more entitled. Mr wheelers new rules come from an old man trying to hang on to an era that's past while lining the pockets of a small few, with complete disregard for the basic human right to a free and open internet.

—Ben Badham, Blackmans Bay,

Hey FCC! Throw out the rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Julie English, Sacramento, CA

Net neutrality is essential so everyone has equal access to the Internet.

—Ms. JoAnn Murphy, Holyoke, MA

Ending net neutrality and putting ever more power into the hands of big corporations would be a massive and disgusting blow to democracy. It's tragic that the United States is being destroyed by a lust for power and wealth. Please keep our access to information free and open.

—Jeffrey Lyster, Portland, OR

The Internet must remain Net Neutral and ISPs must be classified as common carriers.

—Mikhail Fedyukovich, Jacksonville, FL

I mainly get on the internet to play games, probably the same as many other teens but i also use the internet to learn, I've learned more from my daily use of the internet then i would learn in the schools I've ever gone to! When i go on Facebook, people share sites, post links to sites, and from all of this I'm able to learn and understand more than i would ever imagine learning at school. If you take and limit the internet, you may be taking away other peoples education. I go to a private international school and when i come home I get on the internet and check Facebook, where i find information from the sites people post and learn triple of what i learned during school that day! Limit the internet, you'll limit our knowledge!

—Triton Anestos, Meridian, ID

The greatness of the internet lies in its universal accessibility, removing this accessibility (many people cannot afford to pay for necessities, let alone every-day internet services) makes the internet a tool only for the rich, and this is not acceptable.

—Simon, South Yarra,

As a Freelancer dependent on high speed internet for work what you people are trying to do is despicable! It is a discrimination and the internet community will fight for its rights!

—Raluca Speranta, Dusseldorf,

Net Neutrality makes the world a better place. Allowing Tom Wheeler's discrimination mechanism to pass will continue to feed the control that money has in our system which will create an even greater divide between the haves and the have-nots. At some point the people will have had enough. This may be the tipping point. Who knows?

—Chas Colburn, Suitland, MD

I can't fathom how much of the rest of the internet will suffer if we let inept congressmen and women destroy the freest source of information available today.

—James, Barrie,

Screw you FCC. Net Neutrality is needed. Stop being total arse holes. You're destroying the future for independent creators!

—Oscar Baldwin, Northampton,

Free speech is important to a successful society. The Internet was paid for with our tax dollars. It does not belong to corporate controllers for profit. We allow it but not at the cost of openness. Or higher fees for certain use by the people. No privatization of the Internet since it is always more expensive and fails to work as well.

—Judith Stevens, The Villages,, FL

As an artist I find the thought that the FCC would allow corporations to limit the access to anything independent artists create a dangerous affront to the freedoms we as Americans have fought for in the past. A free society does not limit the access to information- and any that would consider net neutrality becomes an oppressive force against all those individuals who use the internet to share their creations- art, writings, films, and news.

—Kristine Tague, The Colony, TX

FCC: Here's the Bottom Line Up Front. The disruptive powers of a level playing field piss the big guys off. I get it. But that potential disruption keeps them innovating and spending in the US economy to stay ahead of smaller innovators. Giving consumers equal access and speeds on a flat fee basis to competing web services keeps that threat real. And that threat helps big & small companies because it keeps the economic environment dynamic. I understand what Chairman Powell did to set up conditions to stabilize the market & why. Despite howling to the contrary, Telecom Investment will NOT dry up if conditions are dynamic - if anything they'll increase. My last point is this: As painful as remaining light-footed and agile may be for the big guys, strategically as America, we need them to do so. If they don't, they risk being out-innovated and made obsolete as a business sector by foreign competition (and sir, I'm not exaggerating here. I really do mean rapidly (i.e. in a matter of months from a the rollout of some new technology from a foreign competitor) made truly and functionally obsolete as an American industry... with the corresponding economic bloodshed to the lower AND THE UPPER economic classes that comes with that.) and that kind of techno-economic vulnerability has strategic implications for the US that outweigh the pain to corporate balance sheets of maintaining true consumer level, flat-fee for access to the full internet, "net neutrality." It is still too early to make this regulatory change. Sometime in the next decade there should be an international shakeout and then it'll be smarter to make this kind of change then. They just have to play through this and wait. Plain and simple; now is not the time for this change. I'm not saying never (I'm a realist and I understand how mature markets are supported), I'm just saying not right now. I don't personally stand to gain or lose from the maintenance of the status quo or the potential change, but I am more involved with these issue more than many of my fellow citizens and can evaluate the ripple effects of this change somewhat dispassionately. Please be sure to consult DHS, DoD, DoS, DoE, and senior national and state level LE to understand the implications of sparking a wave of technological tool innovation to meet US consumer demand for quote-unquote "freedom" by making it easier for the layman to circumvent ISP traffic controls... Suggested Solution: A national set of common carriers can be "profit protected" in different ways in the future. IMHO that is a more prudent way forward.

—Hb, Alexandria, VA

Net Neutrality promotes development of new ideas. It gives opportunity for people to grow in whatever they do and reach wide audience. It allows people to choose best product from a variety of offers - not be forced to get one that managed to earn enough money to shove everyone else aside. We can't limit our potential and options for the sake of someone earning more money or being more prestigious.

—Monika Dzikowicz, Gorzow wlkp,

Net Neutrality is a right of all individuals to ensure free circulation of and access to information. The internet is a powerful platform, especially for the poor and marginalized, and ending Net Neutrality would create greater power imbalance in the world.

—Heather Sawyer, Lexington, KY

If you create fast/slow lanes in the Internet.....you will be sending us all back to the dark ages. Why would we pay for the "fast" lane when we had it for free? Why should some corporation get MORE for this fast lane when they're making profits galore now! You're fast/slow lanes propose to set up two different societies of people on the internet....and frankly I don't appreciate the separation. Corporations are NOT people and they are NOT MORE IMPORTANT than people!

—Mrs. Jerri Dahler, Marietta, OH

Eliminating net neutrality will, without a doubt, stifle innovation world wide and slow the progress of human culture and advancements in every facet of technology. This would be this century's equivalent to the burning of the Library at Alexandria.

—Alexander Carvalho, Miami, FL

Forever the wealthy have worked hard to separate itself from the poor. The Internet is a place for equality.

—Roger Adams, London,

Designating the internet as a "pay-to-play" entity would negate the fact that millions of us ARE paying already. The fact that we are not in a position to pay hundreds of thousands of dollars apiece should not be a factor. The radio once belonged to the people, too. Then it was allowed to be taken over by corporate interests. I submit that we are worse off as a result. Please do not make the same mistake again.

—August Cardea, Saint Petersburg, FL

We have already seen the big players break their promise. During negotiations with Netflix, COMCAST slowed their bandwidth. The second the contract was signed, the bandwidth was restored. I do not want the Internet to be turned into cable television with different rates for different packages. Other countries already have internet 200 times faster than the US at a third of the cost. It is only going to get worse if you give control of the Internet to these corporations. We need Net Neutrality like we need Freedom.

—John Morgan, Arlington Heights, IL

On May 15, 2014, the Federal Communications Commission proposed rules that would allow rampant discrimination online. Under these rules, telecom giants like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon would be able to create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford it and dirt roads for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. The agency can preserve Net Neutrality only by designating broadband as a telecommunications service under the law. This is the only way to protect the open Internet. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.

—Louise Workman, London,

Net Neutrality needs to be preserved. Internet service providers should not be allowed to charge people for fast lane internet access.

—Courtney Woodward, Morristown, NJ

Please do not impose a set of regulations that will dampen innovation and hold back an already struggling economy. Net neutrality would help ensure that the U.S. stays competitive in the global marketplace. Any restrictions would remove the edge we have, stifle desperately needed growing businesses and could plunge us back into another recession.

—Teresa Rodriguez, Milford, DE

Net neutrality is essential to the health of the internet. Imagine if a few large corporations controlled access to all the roads in the country. Without regulation they would be free to charge businesses any amount they wish to allow drivers access to those shops. The openness of the internet is just as important as the openness of our roads. Internet providers seek the freedom to charge certain websites more money to provide their content to users at faster speeds. Whether this means charging popular websites more money for the "base" speed, or offering higher than "base" speeds for an additional charge is irrelevant because they are essentially the same thing, with the latter wearing lipstick. In our current environment the largest internet providers are also the largest providers of television and telephone communication services. Allowing them the freedom to control the speed, and therefore the quality, of online-based video and communications services is blatantly anti-competitive. Ultimately, if there are claims that communications companies are unable to compete with similar online services, that speaks most loudly about an archaic business model that does not need to exist in the internet age. These companies inadvertently make a strong argument that ownership of the infrastructure that delivers the internet would be, like road infrastructure, better in the hands of the public than in companies trying to protect old business models. Short of that, strong regulation is needed to protect the openness and freedom of the internet from companies who would pursue their own interests rather than those of the public..

—Christian Broderick, Baltimore, MD

The internet is too important to be controlled by a single entity who's only goal is profit. The internet is so wide spread that it affects our social lives, entertainment, employment and businesses. This can not be allowed to be controlled by a single company who can disrupt almost ever part of everybody's lives in order to pull more profit for themselves. There is already a monopoly in most areas so we don't have the protection of a competitive marketplace to ensure innovation and best quality of product. We can not further disrupt such a vital avenue that touches almost every aspect of most peoples lives. Keep the internet free and open.

—Kevin Moll, Grand Island, NY

Please keep the Internet free & neutral

—Zee Wire, newark, NJ

Net Neutrality is literally a life-or-death issue for the internet. Without net neutrality, small businesses and academic research will be completely cut off and unable to proceed. Innovation will grind to a halt in the United States. The internet is not merely an entertainment delivery system for a handful of big players. The rest of the world understands that, and in some countries net neutrality is codified into law. These countries understand that the alternative is intellectual suicide. The best way to keep net neutrality is to declare the internet providers to be Common Carriers. I urge you to do this!

—Eric F. Richards, Loveland, CO

let us leave access to knowledge free of class divide. The categorical imperative is: there is no separation between the haves and have-nots in the virtual world.

—Elo Quill, New York, NY

This is awful. We NEED net neutrality.

—Michael Bradshaw, Medford, MA

Anything short of a 100% free, accessible, and equal World Wide Web would stifle human progress. Please take every action available to ensure true, legitimate Net Neutrality for all time to come. Thank you.

—Scott Benjaminson, Evanston, IL

To The FCC, The public, the 99%, the everyday and occasional internet users, small business folks, mom and pop stores...have a lot to lose if you choose the wrong agenda. We are America. Not the corporations. We are the ones you need to keep in mind. Not the corporations. If the FCC blindsides the American people by ending NET NEUTRALITY we will surely fight back in peaceful ways that have yet been determined. And you will lose. So do the right thing...now. Thank you. Kristine

—Kristine B. McAnelly, Taylorsville, KY

To whom it may concern, First off, thank you for reading my letter. My name's Kev, I'm from the Philippines and I'm an online freelancer specializing in making animations and games. It's always been my joy to create art and a neutral internet has been instrumental in developing my craft, bringing joy to people, and making it into a profitable career. I get 100% of my income from doing work for clients online. My income supports my dad who lives in the province and my sister. A two-tiered internet with fast lanes for people that can afford it would definitely have a huge negative impact on my livelihood. A big factor on why I get clients right now is because I share the same internet and have a level playing field with the big companies. Ending net neutrality would mean the end of my career, as when clients have a hard time finding me, I wouldn't have any jobs. It's just a really scary thing with consequences that I can't even begin to imagine. I don't claim to understand every single one of your reasons behind these new proposed internet laws but I do understand that even though we're thousands of miles away from each other, we both know how hard it is to be left without a job or any income. Changing the internet laws would not be a victimless act. It would affect thousands, even millions of hardworking men and women who are trying their hardest to earn a honest living. I hope that in the goodness of your heart, you could find it in you to decide what's best for the human race and the underdogs like us who are just trying our best. Thank you for the time, and wish you all the best. Regards, Kev

—Kevin Tan, Las Pinas,

The Internet is NOT broken, we don't need you to fix it! For people like myself who use the internet to get work, network, follow and get in touch with fellow artists and mentors it is important that we don't get penalised by service providers and forced onto the slow lane of the internet. Right now companies can get the best work by seeing EVERYONE'S WORK, rather than only those who can pay. People can search the internet and find quality over quantity because they can see everyone not just those who can afford to get online. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and protect real Net Neutrality.

—Tola, London,

This is unethical. Access to information, services, communication, working tools, culture, must be equal and come from the user's choice, not companies'. Net Neutrality is an essential part of the freedom of citizens. Threats to Net Neutrality are threats to free democracy, in any country.

—Zoë Leclerc, Aix-en-Provence,

Net neutrality is a vital aspect of our freedom of speech, and as such, I urge the FCC to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Alex Fidaio, Hobart,

Dear FCC, The future of the internet is dependent on net neutrality. The United States, can not and will not stand for discrimination and censorship when it comes to the internet. Or am I unaware that we have sided with dictatorship and communism. Either way, this proposal is a terrible idea, that completely embodies everything that this country and it's citizens do not and will not stand for.

—Jessica Finn, Southfield, MI

This is unconstitutional. Do not let greed rule out freedom. Make good choices.

—Garrett B, Meadville, PA

I am concerned that the precedent that this sets with the ISPs will allow them to control who has access to information in the future, literally allowing them to ransom the internet to whoever is willing to pay. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—DJ Hoffman, Budd Lake, NJ

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—Jake Townsend, Cradoc,

"if google and netflix want to hog all the bandwidth..." interesting. What the statement reveals is that the big companies actually believe that the internet belongs to them, not the people. The reason Google and Netflix use so much bandwidth is because the PEOPLE go to these sites the most. They aren't "hogging" anything. The people are just choosing how to use the service they pay for. They go to these places the most cause they provide the best services in their given sectors. Now that the big tax subsidized ISP's see how much traffic is going to these sites, they want a piece of their profits. This is no different than a company that builds a bridge in a city, then sees how much traffic is on the bridge going to a store on the other side, and sees a golden opportunity to extort the people using the bridge that they were only hired to build and maintain. If the ISP's insist on this, they should be forced to pay back all of the tax money, and tax breaks they were given to build and maintain the internet infrastructure. And seriously no person with any sort of social conscience at all should be using Verizon.

—Justine, Sawtell,

The only way a society grows is to allow the free exchange of ideas. Disabling this freedom is a tacit tyrants and dictators used throughout history to control the people. If Net Neutrality is taken away then we are allowing big business to take away our right of free speech. Your job is to be protectors of this right. Please do not fail the American people and free speech. Please keep Net Neutrality. Thank you.

—Lynn Osinski, Cumming, GA

FCC, Please throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Jennifer Trent, Dayton, OH

It's crucially important that you not allow premium access to the Internet and maintain full net neutrality. The internet is not a place for commercial exploitation but is part of the public commons that big companies cannot be allowed to dominate. Please do not approve the proposed rules that would compromise net neutrality.

—Mr. John Midgley, Vashon, WA